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PEACE CRY IN AUSTRIA—AMERICA'S PERIL A "SURPRISE."

State's Driest Sections Get the Finest Wetting Enjoyed in a Year.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 21.—Champions of government ownership lost by an overwhelming vote today their fight in the Senate for an indefinite federal control of the railroads after the war. An amendment to the administration railroad bill, offered by Senator Johnson of South Dakota, and providing that government control should continue until Congress otherwise ordered, was defeated, 41 to 10.

THE LINE-UP.

Senators supporting the Cummins amendment were: Democrats—Ashurst, Kern, Hardwick, Henderson, Hitchcock, Hollaender, Johnson, McNary, Norris, Sutherland and Townsend.

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Impending Monster Offensive of Germans on Western Front Unites British Factories

GREAT BLOW EXPECTED IN FRANCE ANY MINUTE.
Military Crisis Finds Allies Ready to Bear Brunt Till America Joins; War not to End This Year.

BY ARTHUR S. DILLER.
(BY ATLANTIC CABLE AND DIRECT WIRE—EXCLUSIVE DISPATCH.)
LONDON, Feb. 21.—Britain's political crisis is over and now the country can concentrate its attention on a greater storm, which is likely to break in France almost any day. Whether the allies add to the personalities only time will tell, but the whole country is ready to put an unbroken front to the enemy there is not a suspicion of doubt. Labor disputes, food privations, financial hardships and political prejudice sink into insignificance before the great problem of checking the enemy and eventually throwing him back. If Germany shows no desire for peace except by force, and if her military continues to hold the faith and trust of the people, then England will fight on, with the determination which marked her entry into the war.

FACTIONS UNITED.
All local industries and petty jealousies, of which there are naturally many, will be forgotten for the moment. The phrase, "Let's get on with the war," has added a new significance at this critical time. And Lord Northcliffe's men, Lord George's opposition may feel just as bitterly as ever, but now that the big military crisis is near at hand, they are too good to quarrel with the operation of the war machine. While giving their support to the country's military effort, they will continue to press for a constantly growing diplomatic offensive, with the ultimate aim of bringing the German masses to the point where they will demand a reasonable peace.

PEACE DATES.
Various opinions exist as to the date when a reasonable or clean peace can be obtained. L. J. Moxon, editor of the Observer, says: "There is not a hundred-to-one chance of the war's being over this year, although it is quite possible in 1919. He makes these interesting observations on the present situation: "We do not disguise our sympathy

WILSON FAVORABLE TO UTILITY-RATE RAISES.
Companies are Regarded as Part of the Nation's War Equipment.

(BY A. P. NIGHT WIRE.)
WASHINGTON, Feb. 21.—With the approval of President Wilson, the Federal Railroad Administration is about to interest itself in street railways, light, heat and power companies throughout the country whose financial stability may be threatened by mounting costs of operation. Where it appears necessary, increases in fares or rates may be suggested. Correspondence between Secretary McAdoo, as director-general of railroads, and the President, made public tonight, shows that a committee representing public utility interests recently presented memoranda to the Secretary, setting forth a most serious situation and asking that it be brought to the attention of the President.

MADDOO'S LETTER.
Secretary McAdoo's letter to the President follows: "I beg to hand you herewith several memoranda and letters relating to the street railway, light, heat and power, which I have been asked to bring to your attention by a committee representing public utility interests."

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MRS. PRESTON WARNS.
(BY A. P. NIGHT WIRE.)
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"THE TIMES" DAY BY DAY CIRCULATION GAINS.

Gains, gains, gains from all over the Southland are added to the Times circulation week after week, for daily and Sunday. Following are the latest day-by-day figures as compared with last year's gains:

February 16, 1917.	85,970	February 14, 1918.	75,660	9,310
February 17, 1917.	85,664	February 15, 1918.	75,820	9,844
February 18, 1917.	85,189	February 16, 1918.	75,100	10,089
February 19, 1917.	84,560	February 17, 1918.	74,460	11,100
February 20, 1917.	85,993	February 18, 1918.	77,997	12,004
February 21, 1917.	85,993	February 19, 1918.	75,901	9,992
February 22, 1917.	85,920	February 20, 1918.	75,697	9,223

AMERICAN CASUALTIES.

(BY A. P. NIGHT WIRE.)
WASHINGTON, Feb. 21.—Two American engineers were slightly wounded in action in France, February 18 and 19. They are Private George W. Sterling, Melrose, Mass., and John J. Fay, Medford, Mass. Gen. Pershing also reported that Private Luke A. Covey, engineer, South Amboy, N. J., reported buried in action November 30, was buried December 3. The death of George E. Parrish of Twickenham, Or., from pneumonia, also was announced. His rank was not stated.

TUSCANY LOSSES.
(BY A. P. NIGHT WIRE.)
WASHINGTON, Feb. 21.—The first official estimate of losses to the American troops sent to Tuscany was issued today through the Committee on Public Information. It states that there were 317 officers and men aboard; 1971 saved; 1200 dead, 127 still unaccounted for, slightly.

TROTSKY INSINCERE, SAYS TEUTON PRESS.

CAUTION ADVISED IN ACCEPTING WIRELESS SURRENDER OF BOLSHIEVKE.
(BY ATLANTIC CABLE AND A. P.)
AMSTERDAM, Feb. 21.—The belief that Leon Trotsky, the Bolshevik Foreign Minister, may have something in reserve, and that his surrender is insincere, appears to be a mistake to give way to premature optimism.

ASTONISHED BY AMERICA.
"Americans are making magnificent efforts in every direction, but they cannot improve an army fit for modern warfare and convey it across 2000 miles of sea in a few weeks. They must learn to make a mistake to give way to premature optimism. The Berlin Boersan Zeitung says: "In view of past experiences with the Bolshevik government, it is natural to suppose that the new peace preparedness is nothing else than the old hostility to peace, namely, a desire to bring about a general anarchy." The Tages Zeitung says: "The Russian offer proves the manner in which the Bolsheviks yield only to direct compulsion. As soon as they are free, they would advance new subterfuges."

CIVILIAN EXPERTS TO SUPPLY TROOPS.

CHANGES MADE IN QUARTERMASTER'S DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCED.
(BY A. P. NIGHT WIRE.)
WASHINGTON, Feb. 21.—Reorganization of the Quartermaster Corps under Maj. Gen. Goethals has been completed, and the summary made public today shows radical changes designed to assure the food and clothing supply of the army, particularly in the overseas front.

ASKS PROMPT RESPONSE.
"It may be that here and there, because of the prominence given to less important interests immediately at hand, State and local authorities do not always appreciate the close connection between the soundness and efficiency of these local utilities and the national strength and vigor, and do not resort with sufficient promptness to the call for remedial measures. In such cases, it is confident that all such State and local authorities will respond promptly to the national needs when the request is fairly and properly brought before them."

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MADISON (Wis.), Feb. 21.—Gov. E. L. Phillips' measure empowering him to appoint a United States Senator to fill the vacancy created by the death of Senator Paul O. Hastings today in the United States Senate, 27 to 3. In the assembly a resolution favoring a special election was adopted.

GETS TWENTY-FIVE YEARS.
(BY A. P. NIGHT WIRE.)
EL PASO (Tex.), Feb. 21.—Felix R. Jones, 34, was sentenced to twenty-five years in the State Penitentiary by a jury tonight of the murder of Thomas H. Lyons, wealthy cattleman of Silver City, N. M. The jury fixed the death penalty for twenty-five years imprisonment in the penitentiary.

THE DAILY HERO.

Brave Deeds of Men in America's Fighting Service.
Men serving on the destroyer Jacob Jones of the American fleet in foreign waters, had a terrific fight with the sea after their ship had been sunk by a German submarine. The attack came suddenly, late in the afternoon. Although every effort was made to return the fight and save the ship, she finally settled and went down. Many of the men got into the boats and on the raft and a great number were seen swimming in the sea. Two of these were picked up by the Germans. One of these men, John Francis Murphy, is now held a prisoner by the Germans. After having gone through the ordeal of being torpedoed, Murphy made a heroic struggle to save members of the ship's crew. No further news has been heard from him beyond the fact that he is held prisoner in Germany. Murphy was a ship's cook, first class, on the Jones. His next of kin is his mother, Mrs. John Murphy, living at No. 53 Julia Hall, living at No. 53 Julia Hall, Newport, R. I.

AERO CLUB DEMANDS THAT BAKER EXPLAIN.

GERMAN CONTROL OVER AMERICAN SECTOR AROUSES CURIOSITY.
(BY A. P. NIGHT WIRE.)
NEW YORK, Feb. 21.—The Executive Committee of the Aero Club of America, aroused by reports that the Germans had secured control of the air above the sector held by the American troops in France, tonight urged Secretary of War Baker, by telegram, to issue a statement covering the American aviation programme and detail what steps have been taken to secure an appropriation from Congress and to place orders for the necessary airplanes and motors.

SWEDEN TO STAY OUT.
(BY ATLANTIC CABLE AND A. P.)
STOCKHOLM, Feb. 21.—In answer to an interpellation in the Riksdag, Premier Eden said that while certain circles in Finland desired Swedish intervention in that country, a considerable part of the Finnish people strongly opposed the idea, and when the Swedish Government decided to remain neutral, it intended armed intervention there unopposed by a violation of Swedish rights and interests. He added that the existing prohibition on the transit and exportation of arms would be maintained. Sweden would not permit the exportation of arms to Finland, but individual volunteers would be allowed to enter the Finnish service.

SCANDINAVIA'S POSITION IN GREAT WORLD WAR.

Nations Have Been Neutral Under Dire Difficulties, Says Dr. Egan.
(BY A. P. NIGHT WIRE.)
NEW YORK, Feb. 21.—Dr. Maurice P. Egan, United States minister to Denmark, today addressed the American Academy of Arts and Letters on the position of the Scandinavian nations in the world war. Dr. Egan recently returned to the United States to recuperate from the effects of long illness. He said that from the beginning of the war Sweden, Norway and Denmark had maintained neutrality under extreme difficulties. After having spent ten years on the German frontier, he could see how Americans had misunderstood the views and hopes of these nations.

REPTINGTON TO APPEAL ASSESSMENT OF FINE.
(BY ATLANTIC CABLE AND A. P.)
LONDON, Feb. 21.—The Morning Post of today announces that Col. C. A. Repeatington, its military correspondent, and Howell A. Gwynne, its editor, have decided to appeal from the decision of the court, which yesterday fined them £100 each for the publication of an article in the Post last week in violation of the military censorship.

STILL IN PETROGRAD.

(BY A. P. DAY WIRE.)
WASHINGTON, Feb. 21.—State Department officials said today that the renewed German offensive in Russia had not progressed to a point where the departure of Ambassador Francis and the Allied diplomats from Petrograd was being considered, and that, so far as official reports showed, the diplomats there were not considering leaving as yet.

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GERMANS BEGIN TRADE CONQUEST OF SIBERIA.
BOLSHEVISTI ARE ARMING WAR PRISONERS TO AID TRADE MOVEMENT.

FOOD GOES TO ALLIES.
WASHINGTON, Feb. 21.—Six trains of packing-house products for export to the Allies will be moved eastward daily for the next month until a great quantity has been hauled, Secretary Macdonald told Earl Hardington, the British Ambassador, in a letter today.

APPEAL TO STOCKMEN.
SPOKANE, Feb. 21.—An appeal to stockmen to increase production was made today by Charles Heber, Federal Food Administrator.

CONTROL OF WHEAT PROPOSED IN FRANCE.
CABINET RESOLVED TO INTENSIFY PRODUCTION TO INCREASE SUPPLY.

SEEDS OF DISCONTENT WILL BE SOWN BY GERMANS, HE DECLARED.

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Spring Needle Underwear
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Only the fact that we bought this genuine Bennington Spring Needle Cooper Underwear many months ago, makes this very low price possible. Medium heavy weight, long thread, cotton ribbed—closed crotch—white or ecru—regular sizes and stouts.

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BROADWAY AT SIXTH

WAGE INCREASE AT MARE ISLAND YARD.
VALLEJO, Feb. 21.—Increases in wages ranging from 10 to 15 per cent. for workers in all trades, and helpers, employed at Mare Island Navy Yard, were announced today by the government.

WILLIAMS DEPLORES DELAY IN WAR LAWS.
WASHINGTON, Feb. 21.—During the Senate debate today Senator Williams, Democrat, of Mississippi, deplored the delay in the legislation and declared he wished the President had the power to come before Congress in the same way the British Premier goes before Parliament.

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And All Rectal Diseases
Without an Operation
For twenty-five years we have been curing diseases of the rectum and lower bowel. During this time our experience has enabled us to develop a method that is superior to others. We cure without surgery, and our patients are not confined in bed and seldom lose a moment's time from their business.

DEAR DR. WHITE & WAINWRIGHT:
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TO SAVE CROPS FROM HEROISM. PLOT TO BURN CROP ALLEGED

I.W.W. Conspiracy to Burn Cattle Is Reported.

Police Say Prisoner in Burning Mill.

German Money Supports Plot, He Declares.

San Francisco, Feb. 21.—Alleged plots of the Industrial Workers of the World to burn grain, farm houses and mills along the Pacific Coast, revealed in a confession made by Fritz Hagerman, alias Alenbach, who said he carried out some of the work, according to a statement issued by officials of the fire bureau of the Pacific Coast.

Hagerman was arrested at San Francisco, after a search by bureau operatives. He was taken to the city jail, where he was held incommunicado.

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TENNIS TODAY IF WEATHER IS FINE.

Weather permitting, the annual midwinter championship tournament will commence today on the Hotel Huntington courts, but no motorbats were available when the first match was called and the racket experts retreated indoors in some confusion.

Frank Winne, manager of the tournament, has secured the use of a number of private courts near the Huntington and if the weather clears today will attempt to dispose of yesterday's schedule in addition to playing matches for all of the players that show up today.

The annual midwinter championships of Southern California are at stake, the proceeds of the tournament being pledged to the army and navy wool fund.

Bill Rodgers.

ST. LOUIS CUE MAN MAKES BIG RECORD.

CHICAGO, Feb. 21.—Scoring a phenomenal run of sixteen in the opening inning of his afternoon game with Charles Mills of Milwaukee, Robert L. Cannefax of St. Louis defeated the Cream City left-hander 10 to 11 in forty-three innings in the billiard players' ambulance fund tournament today. The run is the best ever recorded in match or tournament play in this city. It beat the City League record of 13 held by Charlie Morin, the Interstate League mark held by Augie Kleckner and the world's championship match record of 13 held by the world's tournament record run of 18 held by Charlie Morin and made at St. Louis three years ago.

All of Cannefax's shots in his wonderful run were executed cleanly except the sixteenth point, when he got a slight kiss in the corner.

LESLIE MANN OF CUBS IS HOLDOUT.

HOUSTON (Tex.), Feb. 21.—Leslie Mann, Cub outfielder, and one of the best in the National League, is a holdout. It isn't his inability to secure a leave of absence from his army work that is responsible for his refusal to sign the contract forwarded by President Weeghman. It is the terms of the same and Mann himself is the author of the statement that his 1918 salary is smaller than that of last season.

BAPTISTS TO STICK TO AMERICAN GAME.

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TENER PREDICTS END OF SPITBALL.

NEW YORK, Feb. 21.—The end of the spitball is coming, John C. Tener, president of the National League, issued a warning today to young pitchers, advising them not to cultivate the use of the spitball and indicating that it was only the matter of a short time when it would be abolished.

Young pitchers starting to play professionally will find it to their advantage not to cultivate the use of the spitball," said Mr. Tener. "It will also be advantageous to National League players using this form of delivery to experiment as much as possible with some other style of pitching during the coming season."

The spitball is a disgusting, unsportsmanlike delivery, and it is the duty of the National League to see that it is abolished," said Mr. Tener. "I am sure that the National League players will be glad to see the spitball abolished."

Mr. Tener said a majority of National League players still were unopinioned, but asserted that the club owners would remain firm in their present position, as baseball conditions did not warrant the payment of larger salaries to players.

OXY AND QUAKERS READY FOR FAY.

WHITTIER, Feb. 21.—Basketball fans are looking forward with much interest to the Southern California college conference basketball game to be played at Whittier, Saturday evening, with the fast Occidental Quintette meeting the fighting Quakers on the Quaker court.

Occidental has withdrawn her transfer men, whom she used in the basketball game and the change has been an agreeable one to the Quaker, all of whom are freshmen, with but one exception. The Quakers are the Quakers who, that a basket had a bottom until this year, for they had never been on a basketball court.

GOLF MEDALIST TO MEET GIRL PLAYER.

PAIRM BEACH (Fla.), Feb. 21.—Miss Ethel Campbell, medalist in the women's golf tournament for the Florida championship, today arrived at the semi-finals by defeating Mrs. William Byrre, Berkshire, 2 and 1. She will have her hardest match tomorrow, meeting Miss Lois Smith, Revival, who, though in her teens, is old in golf experience and has some chance of winning.

GOLF PROFESSIONALS TO BE IN BAD WAY.

NEW YORK, Feb. 21.—With no open golf tournament scheduled by the Western Golf Association, the professionals of the country will be more or less in a bad way, most of the members of the tour having had an opportunity to get "in the money" in at least one event in the western championship, which was won by Jim Barnes of Whitman, Wash. They will have little or no opportunity for competition among themselves and it is the opinion of many that the caliber of their individual play will suffer in consequence.

MOTOR CORPORATION INCREASES STOCK.

NEW YORK, Feb. 21.—After a meeting of the directors of the General Motors Corporation today, an announcement was made that the capital stock of the company was to be increased to \$200,000,000. It was stated that the increase was made to purchase the assets of the Chevrolet Motor Company, exclusive of its stock holdings in the General Motors Corporation, paying therefor 288,664 shares of the common stock of the General Motors Corporation.

MIDDIES WILL PLAY Y.M.C.A. QUINTETTE.

The basketball squad from the naval training station at Balboa Park, San Diego, is coming to town Saturday night for a game with the Los Angeles Y.M.C.A. quintette on the latter's court. This should be a struggle worth going miles to see, as the service squad has cleaned up everything within shooting distance of San Diego.

WITHOUT A DATE.

With the relay carnival postponed until next Saturday the U.S.C.-L.A. A.C. meet is without a date, since the Bovard field was not designed to accommodate two cinder path tracks on one and the same afternoon. The U.S.C.-L.A.A.C. go is one of the most promising of the season, and will probably be held March 4.

HAPPIER DAYS TO SPORTSMEN.

Rains Change Dreary to Cheerful Outlook.

Prospect for Big Fish and Game Year Good.

Water Levels Normal Again in the Mountains.

This week's bountiful rainfall, with its promise of a normal season after the protracted drought, has spread more cheer among thinking sportsmen than anything else in their line possibly could bring.

With the immense and steadily-growing army of licensed hunters and anglers in Southern California, problems of the Fish and Game Commission in conserving a still attractive supply of sporting material has become a complicated enough without the prohibitive handicap of dry seasons. Such, by curtailing natural breeding of game, tends to maintain wild life against the rapidly-increasing demands each year is making upon it. State conservation authorities as yet have no power to further restrict open seasons between legislatures should the need arise, so irreparable damage might be done to the breeding stock in one year when a possibly dry winter might have discouraged natural propagation and left only odd birds for the harvest.

Fish can be artificially propagated and restored when normal water conditions resume; but once game is reduced below a certain level, whether by bad breeding seasons, predatory vermin or over-exercise of the "taking privilege" that is the end. Whatever its results under favorable conditions elsewhere, the artificial propagation of game in the Southwest has proved one of the monumental failures of conservation.

THE BREEDING.

Observing sportsmen have known for many years that the quail do not breed at all extensively following dry winters; but that the same conditions affect all game in very large degree is not so generally understood. The crop of seed-seeds, grasses, in short, all food, depends much upon the amount of rainfall and the way it comes.

Duck shooters have a particularly large stake in the gamble of winter with nature. Such sportsmen may now look forward to a good harvest crop and plan to flood their ponds early, in hope of holding the early spring flight to what is even a greater degree they must look for their sport henceforth, now that rice-growing has made the interior valleys so attractive to ducks that the northern birds no longer have any excuse in normal years for leaving them for the south. So much waste land has been made to produce a meat crop of sorts through the duck-preserving movement that anything menacing it has something of a public interest; and a dry winter, with all attendant low in demand, would have greatly curtailed the aggregate duck bag.

WERE READY.

Viewing with a steadily-growing apprehension the passage of week after week without rain during the season normally wet, the Fish and Game Commission has made extensive plans for dealing with the abnormal conditions of low water and steadily-dwindling supply that were averted by this week's generous rainings, and snowfall in the heights.

Men were to have left for Bear Valley Monday to plan for handling the situation developing there with low levels, that threatened to scatter the "spawners" among all the creeks and prevent the large "take" of eggs arranged for at North Creek station, where seven million can be handled if they offer. The stream plantings would have been reapportioned to such lakes and creeks as could have been sufficed with water to sustain fish life, most of the steep southern gorge streams being subject to a level attractive to anglers.

RUSHING UP.

There is every present prospect of a normal water condition. The bars at the mouths of up-coast rivers have been swept away and the upper steelheads are rushing up the rolled.

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The annual interclass track meet of the Occidental Tigers, scheduled for yesterday afternoon, has been postponed indefinitely because of the soggy condition of Patterson Stadium.

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brown floods toward the spawning beds. Probably the wonderful midwinter fishing in the surf, brought about by the low stages of the streams from lack of rain up to Sunday, is at an end, but this is not realized by sportsmen who realize the value of every one of these spawn-bearers as worth more in the original February plans, made to meet a normal season, can be adhered to, and anglers may look forward to as good or better sport than they enjoyed last summer; while hunters, whether for deer or muskrat, feel that there is every present prospect of very favorable breeding conditions for the abundant stock of deer, quail, doves and rabbits to multiply with a plenty of wild feed upon which to grow big and fat against the harvest time of rifle and gun.

NORTHWEST MAT MEN PREPARE FOR BATTLE.

SEATTLE (Wash.), Feb. 15.—The University of Washington wrestling squad, victorious over Oregon, will meet the touted O.A.C. grapplers in the Corvallis gymnasium Saturday night, Feb. 22, in a single point last year, so the Purple and Gold men are going south Friday with heads in their eyes.

Capt. Foster McGovern and Masuri will be undisputed for the 145 and 115-pound weights. Martin may not try out against Foreman in the 165-pound class, as Foreman has already beaten him decisively.

Gibson appears to have the 125-pound weight clinched. Sartoris, letter man last year, has not yet recovered from the injury to his elbow, sustained in a practice fight. Kittamura and Sellick will fight it out at 135; Sellick, who won the right to enter the Oregon match, has been off the mat for several weeks because of a fractured wrist. He will probably win his place again despite this handicap.

Both Coach Jim Arbuthnot and Capt. McGovern were delighted with Washington's showing Friday evening, and are determined to repeat against the stronger O.A.C. squad.

BRITON AND YANKEE TO MEET AT GOLF.

SAN DIEGO, Feb. 21.—Britain and America will compete tomorrow in the finals of the open golf tournament at Coronado. F. R. Scovel, a St. Andrews College man, and Robert Benninger of the Lake Shore Club, Chicago, meet tomorrow to decide the championship. Scovel won today in the semi-finals from Dr. L. Chamberlain of Coronado, 3 and 1, while J. J. Benninger eliminated L. B. Hakes of Coronado, 2 up.

The semi-finals today and the final match tomorrow are over the thirty-six hole course.

In the consolation fight, Mal Collin G. Ross won by default from Dr. L. Doherty; G. M. Booker defeated W. N. Keck, 3 and 2. Ross and Booker meet tomorrow in the finals of this event.

GOLFERS WILL PLAY DESPITE WEATHER.

Rain or shine the regular annual invitation golf tournament of the Virginia Country Club will take place today. The members of this organization do not consider Washington's Birthday properly celebrated unless a golf tournament is indulged in, and have announced their intention of braving the elements if necessity so dictates.

NEWSBOY SCRAPPERS GO TO IT TONIGHT.

Tonight at Jack Doyle's Vernop Arena the Newsboys' Club will hold their bouts starting at 8:30 sharp. A fine card is lined up for the evening and a large crowd is expected. In the main event, Max Martin and Sammy Annenberg will meet in a return match. These two newbies fought a sensational battle at the last affair, Annenberg getting the decision. Martin has been training faithfully at the club however, and promises to even matters up. The rest of the card follows: Maxey vs. O'Kearfe; Meyers vs. Buddy; Garcia vs. Endas; Uster vs. Earne, and Brown vs. Foras. Joe Rivers and Leach Cross will be on hand to referee some of the bouts. Admission is free and everyone is cordially invited.

VETERAN SHORTSTOP QUILTS THE RED SOX.

BOSTON, Feb. 20.—"Heinie" Wagner, veteran shortstop of the Boston American League baseball team, will not play with the team this year, according to a statement tonight by Harry Frazee, president of the club. President Frazee believes that Johnny Evers will be able to play as well as coach, and that Wagner will not be needed.

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WAR GRAFT REVEALED

Millions Involved in Army Theft.

Uniform Manufacturers and Department Employees are Indicted.

Illegal Profiteering in Government Clothing Contracts is Alleged.

(BY A. P. MONT WIRE.)

NEW YORK, Feb. 21.—An alleged country-wide plot involving illegal profiteering in army clothing at the expense of the government was disclosed here today by the indictment by the Federal grand jury of eleven men, one a clerk and two other employees in the Quartermaster's Department of the army, on charges of fraud.

Investigations which will extend to other cities, Federal authorities here believe, will show the government has suffered to the extent of \$5,000,000, but at the same time it was stated the indictments today would serve to terminate further conspiring and save the government from millions more in losses.

SUPPLIED ARMY.

Eight of the defendants are manufacturers of army uniforms.

The profiteering is made possible, the Federal investigators explained, by the methods in which the cloth is cut. From material which the government estimated would provide a dozen uniforms, the manufacturers would cut ten or less, according to the authorities, and the ex-

cess cloth, known to the trade as "clippings," would be resold, either to the government itself or to other manufacturers.

Cloth and other army supplies worth approximately \$5,000,000 were stolen, according to Lieut. George D. Barnitz, of the New York police force, who, in conjunction with the Federal authorities, investigated the alleged fraud, which he said included thefts in other parts of the country. He asserted that a plot of nation-wide proportions had been uncovered and that investigations in other cities probably would be undertaken.

CLIPPING.

Some of the defendants, Lieut. Barnitz said, represented to the government that their "clippings" amounted to 2 per cent, whereas, actually, due to their methods of cloth cutting, they amounted to 5 per cent, the difference representing the excess cloth alleged to have been retained.

Owing to the alleged activity of a civilian clerk in the army in connection with the purported plot, it was said for concealment to be effected. So bold were some of the defendants, according to investigators, that they had stolen cloth and displayed openly in windows in the jobbing district.

"Clippings" were sold to manufacturers in Chicago, St. Louis and Greenville, Ill., and large quantities of the cloth have been recovered from these places. It was announced. The manufacturers purchased innocently and will not be prosecuted. Clothing houses in other western cities also have obtained cloth, not knowing it was stolen, the investigators said, and this has not yet been recovered.

FIRST ARREST.

The indictments are based upon evidence gathered by the Federal District Attorney's office in connection with the arrest about two months ago of Louis Davidson, head of the Universal Cloth Shrinkage and Refinishing Works here.

Davidson is one of those accused, together with Hyman Horwitz and his son, Benjamin, in business as Horwitz & Muskowitz, Barnett Tietz, of R. Tietz & Co.; Jacob Weinstein and his son, Abraham Pusch and Leon Levine, of Pusch & Levine; Sidney Robinson and Morris Alewitz, shipping clerks in the employ of the New York Manufacturers' Company, all of this city, and Ira L. Janowsky, a civilian clerk in the quartermaster's office here.

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Long Hours Force Workers to Use Stimulants, Asserts Woman Economist.

(BY A. P. MONT WIRE.)

CHICAGO, Feb. 21.—Attention of Judge Alschuler, arbitrator in the stockyards wage dispute, was directed today to the saloon as an important element in the controversy.

In questioning Bertha M. Nienberg, associate economist of the Bureau of Applied Economics of Washington, D. C., Attorney James G. Condon, representing the packers, stated that residents of the district "back of the yards" contributed more than \$1,000,000 a year in support of 300 saloons in 150 square blocks.

Mr. Nienberg had submitted in evidence a budget showing that in 1917 it cost \$11,775 to support a family of five in the stockyards district.

SALOON SUPPORT.

"Do you think it would take as much for a saloonkeeper to support a family of five as it would take a stockyard employee?" asked Attorney Condon.

The witness said she believed it would. "Well, there are 300 saloons in 150 square blocks back of the yards and each saloonkeeper pays \$1000 a year license, has his rent to pay and hire a bartender, as well as support his family," said the attorney. "This means that it takes more than \$1,000,000 a year to keep these saloons going and that the money comes from the residents of the district who are largely coal miners and steel mill workers."

Don't you think if the men spent less in these saloons they might have more to contribute to the support and comfort of their families?"

"My answer to that question is that there is never the least drifting back of the stockyards until the men work shorter hours and are not so worn out at the end of the day that they are forced to pay and hire by using alcoholic stimulants and until they receive higher wages," replied the witness.

"You think then that the more money men earn the less they drink?" inquired the lawyer.

"Investigations made by sociological workers back of the theory," said Miss Nienberg.

Attorney Condon attempted to show that in coal and iron mining centers and in steel mill districts where men received the highest wages drunkenness was more prevalent than in other districts where workers received lower pay, but the witness declined to admit the truth of the statement.

EXPLAINS BUDGET.

The witness explained that the figures of her model budget were lower than the bare existence standard allowed in budgets of other cities. She said the cost of living in New York was 8 per cent higher.

The average of this lowest budget outside of Chicago was, she said, \$1424.64. The next budget discussed was described as the minimum health budget and called for the annual expenditure of \$1594, in the maintenance of a family of five.

The next was called the minimum health and comfort or ideal budget and totaled \$1811.13 for the year. These various budgets, she explained, had been prepared by experts and approved by arbitrators in several important labor disputes.

The \$1806 budget, she said, had recently been accepted by the Labor Dispute Commission of the United States Shipping Board in fixing wages of shipbuilders in the Philadelphia district.

AVERAGE PAY.

Testimony already heard at the stockyards wage case showed that the present average pay received by unskilled laborers is \$108 a year.

Attorneys for the packers vigorously attacked the family budgets submitted by the witness on the ground that they were excessive and that a survey recently made in Chicago for the government showed increased wages from 40 to 50 per cent. The report submitted showed that one-third of the residents of the "district back of the yards" own their homes.

Counsel for the employees expect to close their direct case tomorrow. The packers will take four or five days to present their case.

SCHOOL GIRL KILLED BY ESCAPED PANTHER.

(A. P. FOREIGN CORRESPONDENCE.)

PARIS, Jan. 30.—A French schoolgirl was killed by a panther on her way to school at Laval, recently. The panther had escaped from a local menagerie. It was caught and killed a few hours later.

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POPULATION

By the Federal Census (1910)—219,198
By the City Directory (1917)—229,292XVIITH YEAR

Summing Up.

OLD REVIEW OF FACTS VS. EMOTIONAL APPEAL.

**Declares Marie Edwards Guilty
Murder—Crowd Applauds the
Defense—Court Cleared.**

ARGUMENTS began yesterday afternoon in the Edwards murder case, Deputy District Attorney A. A. Keyes speaking for the state and Charles R. Morfoot for the defense. The former presented a logical and merciless review of the facts. He was heard with interest and dead silence. Mr. Morfoot made a strong appeal to the jury and the court was applauded by the spectators, which breach of court decorum cost them their seats.

Keyes branded much of the more important parts of Miss Edwards' testimony as falsification, notably her story of having been shot by Senator Lyon to a life of shame, that she loved her, that she was a large sum of money, etc. He accused her of trying to put her hand on a dead man, unable to defend himself. The jury then declared puerile and the emotional side of the case "bunk." He said that the "sentimentalists" making up the audience are not representative of the community. He said Edwards is guilty as charged and that the jury should so find.

Using a legal holiday, Senator Frank R. Willis yesterday until 5 o'clock to attend the trial of Marie Edwards, charged with the murder of her husband, Henry H. Lyon. Miss Edwards for the defense will be represented by Charles R. Morfoot, counsel for the state, the jury will be sworn in at 10 o'clock yesterday afternoon. An early verdict is expected.

Mr. Morfoot, counsel for the state, made his address to the jury at 10 o'clock yesterday afternoon. He said that the jury should find Edwards guilty of the murder of her husband, Henry H. Lyon. He said that the jury should find Edwards guilty of the murder of her husband, Henry H. Lyon. He said that the jury should find Edwards guilty of the murder of her husband, Henry H. Lyon.

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NORTON ESTATE OVER MILLION.

**Downtown Property of Late
Pioneer Appraised as
Huge Sum.**

The report of the appraisers in the estate of Isaac Norton, a pioneer of this city, who died last December, filed in the Probate Court yesterday, gives the value of the property he owned at \$1,227,564.94. The Hill street and Broadway property is valued at \$1,000,000. Other property consists of bonds, notes and mortgages. The heirs are the widow and the children.

L. D. SALE IS ILL.

**Retiring President of Chamber of
Commerce Will Be Unable to
Attend Banquet Tonight.**

L. D. Sale, the retiring president of the Chamber of Commerce, is still confined to his home, No. 271 Ardmore avenue, by an illness that has afflicted him for the past two months. He is making good progress towards recovery, but will be unable to attend the annual banquet of the Chamber of Commerce tonight, and his address will be presented by Louis M. Cole.

TO AID FUEL OIL WORK.

**Frank J. Silsbee Called to Wash-
ington as One of the Nation's
Dollar-a-Year Men.**

Frank J. Silsbee, well known in the petroleum industry as a statistical expert, was added to the Los Angeles roster of "dollar-a-year men" yesterday, when he received a call to Washington and announced he would respond by leaving next Monday.

Mark L. Requa, in charge of the oil division of the Fuel Administration, called Mr. Silsbee by telephone. Mr. Requa said he wanted Mr. Silsbee to assist in co-ordinating petroleum statistics in the war work of the fuel oil division.

Mr. Silsbee is considered to be well fitted for the position assigned to him, having been in charge of statistical work for the Independent Oil Producers' Agency of Los Angeles for eight years until last fall, when he became the publisher of the trade journal, the Pacific Petroleum Record.

Personal credit Mr. Silsbee with a personal familiarity with the fields and refineries of California possessed by few men. He is said to have measured all the tanks in the State at one time or another, and to have visited practically every operating unit.

WAR TO BE THEME OF CHURCH CONFERENCE.

**THREE-DAY CONVENTION OF
RELIGIOUS ASSOCIATION
TO OPEN TODAY.**

With the war as the dominant theme, the three-day annual conference of the California Association of New Jerusalem Churches will open at the New Jerusalem Church, No. 515 East Ninth street, this afternoon. Dr. Thomas French, Jr., president of the association, will preside at all sessions.

This evening, Dr. French will deliver his annual message on the subject "The World's Greatest Need." This will be followed by a symposium on the war. Among the speakers at the sessions of the convention will be the Rev. R. H. Edmiston of Riverside, the Rev. Howard Dunham of San Diego, and R. H. Norton.

A reception to visiting delegates will be given at the residence of Mrs. Lydia P. Moir, No. 1819 St. Andrews place, on Saturday night. On Sunday morning, a sermon will be delivered by the Rev. Edmiston on the subject of "Condemnation of Anger and Contempt." In the evening, the Rev. Harold Dunham will deliver a sermon on the subject "Windows Open Toward Jerusalem."

FUEL CHIEF SETS NEW PRICES FOR COAL HERE.

**VICTOR H. ROSSETTI, chairman of the Los Angeles Committee of the
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for this city to take effect February 23, 1918:**

BITUMINOUS COAL.

Utah, Wyoming, Colorado, Gallup, Cerrillos.

One ton \$12.56 \$14.51 \$16.41 \$14.46 \$15.86

One-half ton 7.05 7.20 8.20 7.55 8.05

One-quarter ton 3.53 3.64 4.10 3.83 4.03

Two sacks 1.44 1.51 1.64 1.52 1.62

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Cerrillos, N. M. Crested Butte, N. M.

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The above prices are for delivery of coal to the consumer's bin unloaded in sacks. If coal is called for by the consumer at the dealer's yard, \$1.00 per ton is to be deducted from the above prices, fractions of tons in proportion. For coal delivered in bulk to customer's curb or yard, \$1.00 per ton is to be deducted, other quantities in proportion.

Substitution of lower priced coals for higher priced coals will subject the coal dealer to a fine of \$5000, or two years' imprisonment, or both. This penalty is also to be enforced in the event that any coal dealer in the State of California charges a higher rate than the maximum prices fixed by the Administration.

CITY OFFICIAL LOST IN SNOW.

**Aqueduct Man Caught in a
Storm Disappears.**

**Abandoned Auto Found, but
not its Owner.**

**Rescue Parties from Bishop
Comb Mountains.**

Thomas Grogan, superintendent of the municipal work at the Owens Gorge dam site, is lost in the deep snows of the Sherrin Hills, above Bishop, in Inyo county. A second searching party started out from Bishop yesterday morning, following the return of the first from a fruitless hunt.

Mr. Grogan lives in the camp at Owens Gorge. He has been in the employ of the aqueduct department ever since the beginning of construction on this mammoth enterprise, and step by step worked his way up to the position of responsibility which he has occupied for some time.

Before the present storm broke, Mr. Grogan decided to go down from Owens Gorge to Bishop and secure some fresh beef for the men in the isolated camp. He made the trip in his automobile, purchased a quarter of beef and started on the homeward journey Monday morning. The distance is about eighteen miles, but it is a rough and rugged way, and the trail leads over the Sherrin Hills.

After Mr. Grogan left Bishop the storm broke, and a heavy snowfall was precipitated, accompanied by high winds. On the grade of the Sherrin Hills the snow lies from six to six feet in depth, and there are huge drifts which would bury a man and his auto, and they would never be seen until the snows melt in the spring.

When night fell on Monday and Mr. Grogan had failed to make his appearance at the camp, a telephone message was sent to Bishop, inquiring if he had stayed over. This caused a general alarm, and a party was immediately formed to start on the search.

All of Monday night and all of Tuesday the men searched. They returned to Bishop with no tidings of the missing man. Early yesterday morning a second party was formed, headed by George Rhuely, who knows the Owens Valley region well. Late yesterday afternoon the search party received here that the searching party had found Mr. Grogan's automobile at Rock Creek. The motor was in the garage and the car had been abandoned, but the car had been abandoned.

About three miles ahead of the spot where the car was abandoned, the search party found a trail leading to a small cabin. Mr. Grogan was found in the cabin, and he was found to be in good health. He was found to be in good health. He was found to be in good health.

Chief Engineer Mulholland said last night that he was certain Mr. Grogan would be able to make his way through the storm and reach his shelter, if it was humanly possible, as he was very hardy and used to searching for water in the desert. He was found to be in good health. He was found to be in good health. He was found to be in good health.

SHOP OWNER FOILS
PLOT OF CRACKSMEN.

Cracksmen who attempted to rob the safe in the pattern shop of Fred Meyer, at No. 1107 South Stanford avenue, last night, were foiled when Mr. Meyer entered the shop and scared them away.

Mr. Meyer returned to the shop after dinner, and as he opened the door he heard a scurrying of feet from his office. He ran to the rear of the building and saw two forms disappearing into the darkness. Returning to the safe, he discovered the combination knob knocked off and marks where an attempt had been made to soap the safe.

Owing to Rain?

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Many Will Mourn His Passing.

William H. Workman.

"Uncle Billy" Taken.

**WILLIAM H. WORKMAN
DIES IN THE HARNESS.**

**Pioneer and Former Mayor of This City Is
Stricken by Heart Failure.**

**WILLIAM H. WORKMAN, formerly Mayor of Los Angeles,
died suddenly of heart failure,
at 8:30 o'clock last night, while
sitting in an easy chair at his home,
No. 257 South Boyle avenue. Almost
literally he died in the harness, for
he had just completed another day's
work.**

Mr. Workman had an attack of heart failure two weeks ago that was considered serious, but he recovered to such an extent that he had been going daily to his office, and was there yesterday. After dinner last evening, he complained of feeling ill, and while sitting in his chair, receiving the ministrations of his daughter, he suddenly expired. Arrangements for the funeral will be made today.

Mr. Workman was one of the best known men of California, and had an interesting career. He had served this city in many capacities, mostly as its chief executive. He had also taken a most active part in the rebuilding of the city, and was frequently referred to as the "Father of Boyle Heights." He was instrumental in obtaining for Los Angeles numerous large factories in its development.

He was born in Boonville, Mo., on January 1, 1839, the son of David Workman of Clifton, England, and Nancy Hook Workman, a native of Virginia. The family consisted of three boys, Thomas H., Elijah, and William H. Workman.

He attended the public schools and Kemper's Institute, in Boonville, until his fourteenth year, when his parents decided to come to California. His Uncle, William Workman, was one of the best known men of California, and had an interesting career. He had served this city in many capacities, mostly as its chief executive. He had also taken a most active part in the rebuilding of the city, and was frequently referred to as the "Father of Boyle Heights." He was instrumental in obtaining for Los Angeles numerous large factories in its development.

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MAN'S MISSING; SO ARE FUNDS.

**Alleged Shortage Sequel of
Fake Horse Race?**

**Book-keeper Leaves Word that
He is Called East.**

**Loss Fully Covered by His
Bonding Company.**

COINCIDENTALLY.

The story of a framed-up horse race that went wrong, the subsequent "strong-arming" of the victim for his unscheduled gains, a visit to the District Attorney's office in vain quest of redress against the wire-tappers and subsequently, an abrupt disappearance, coincidentally with the disappearance of a large sum of employers' money, were linked yesterday in an investigation of the present whereabouts of W. E. Kramer, for three years past head book-keeper for the Heim Bottling Works, No. 1711 Alhambra street.

Kramer has been gone since Sunday night. He left word that he had been suddenly called to St. Louis. Experts who went to work on his books when he failed to appear for work Monday, are said by F. A. Hein, president of the company, to have uncovered serious shortages. Mr. Hein denied, however, that the sum missing will reach more than \$2000. Circulated reports that several times that amount are missing he branded as ridiculous. Kramer was under large bond by a professional bonding concern, and the bonding company is fully protected, Mr. Hein said.

Kramer lived at the Oliver Hotel, No. 725 South Olive street. According to the proprietress there, he was a very quiet man, with apparently few friends. She knew but little of him or his habits. The same report of him was given by his associates at the bottling works. So far as the company knew, his habits were good and his work of a first-class order. He left word at his hotel that he had been suddenly called to St. Louis.

Kramer's friends affirm their belief in him and deny that he had any connection with the fake horse race referred to. The latter appears to have been a time-honored wire-tapping game, pulled off in a downtown office building in a room fitted up to represent a saloon and pool-room.

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GOLDEN STAR IN SERVICE FLAG.

**College of Law Honors Former
Student Who Lost His
Life on Tuscumia.**

A golden star was placed upon the service flag of the college of law, University of Southern California, yesterday by Dean Porter in honor of John William Trager of the 1913 class, who is the first man from the college of law to give his life to "make the world safe for democracy."

Word was received by Dean Porter that Trager lost his life when the Tuscumia was torpedoed. He graduated from U.S.C. with honors in 1913 and at the outbreak of the war enlisted in Minnesota. The golden star will be in the center of the 330 blue stars on the flag.

OIL FIND ON PALOS VERDES RANCH DENIED.

**WASHINGTON REPORT THAT
VANDERLIP CAME BECAUSE
OF "STRIKE" SCOUTED.**

Reports emanating from Washington last night to the effect that Frank A. Vanderlip came to Los Angeles ten days ago because a big oil strike had been made on the Palos Verdes ranch, were vigorously denied by Jay Lawver, representative of the Palos Verdes Syndicate here.

It was reported that one of the big oil men of the country, testifying at an oil hearing in Washington, had asserted that oil in enormous quantities had been struck on the Vanderlip property. It was further stated that a Chicago syndicate acting indirectly for Vanderlip, at once secured an option to buy the Dodson ranch adjoining the Palos Verdes property.

Mr. Lawver denies the whole story, saying that an oil drill had never been put into the Palos Verdes ranch since the syndicate has owned it, and that there is no likelihood of striking oil there. "Years ago, the Elicy did some prospecting on the ranch," said Mr. Lawver, but none has been done since the present ownership. The only prospecting done near the ranch was done by Walter Wheat on the Weston ranch to the north of the Palos Verdes, and Mr. Wheat told me that after doing \$70,000 worth of work there and getting no results, the project was abandoned and the prospecting done near the ranch was done by Walter Wheat on the Weston ranch to the

UNION DEFIES MEDIATOR; CALLS EDISON STRIKE.

Electrical Workers are Ordered Out
Despite Concessions Called Just
by the Government.

DISPITE concessions granted them which Federal Mediator Council declared fair, just and sufficient, and in defiance of the request of the government and of their own national officers, all electrical workers employed by the Southern California Edison Company, belonging to the Electrical Workers' Union, were yesterday ordered to strike. Twenty-five out of the 1200 affected actually walked out, according to company officials.

The union's ultimatum came after the Executive Strike Committee, which has been session for several days, decided that the concessions offered by the Edison company were not satisfactory in that they did not recognize the Electrical Workers' Union. Upon this decision, the following telegram was sent to the local in Southern California yesterday morning:

"On account of the discrimination at the Southern California Edison Company, particularly in discharging the operators at the Mill Creek plant and other employees, and also because the Edison company refuses to meet the officers and representatives of the electrical workers or the committee appointed in the strike matter, in the presence of United States Conciliator Capt. Charles T. Connell, and in no way granting any fair concession in the way of wages or hours, you are therefore instructed that the Edison company is unfair to electrical workers after 2 p.m. Thursday, and all men are called off the job unless otherwise notified by the committee."

Harry Warner, "business agent" for Los Angeles local No. 61, said: "This matter has been under discussion for many weeks. We have received no reply direct from the Edison company. They have been evasive in their answers. The government has received no assistance from the Edison company outside of Capt. Connell's efforts. The Edison company has not met us, so we have called all union men off the job."

CONCESSIONS JUST.

Capt. Connell made the following statement last night:

"I have done all in my power to avert this strike. The Electrical Workers' Union decided to strike in spite of urgent requests and recommendations from their national president, Thomas McNulty, and their national officers, G. B. Green, who is in this city, to postpone action. I asked them to wait further mediation on our part, but it did little good. The United States has not been the master of the situation. It is the desire of the government that all lines of production be uninterrupted in time of war. The strike of the Edison company was fair and just, and it seems to be the desire of the union to force the Edison company to make a 'closed shop.' I still stand ready to do all in my power to bring about a suitable understanding between the two factions."

FEW GO OUT.

Up to 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon, only two hundred union men out of 1200 employed by the Edison company had obeyed the strike order. The incident was given by Sgt. R. F. Edwards and W. A. Beckwith, vice-president and general manager of the Edison company.

"The Electrical Workers' Union claim that we have discriminated by

discharging men belonging to that organization," Mr. Pearson said. "They draw particular notice to the operators at Mill Creek station, but I happen to know that at the time of their discharge not a single one of that group was a union man. They were discharged for inefficiency. A week later they joined the union."

Threats and intimidations have been made by several union members of our gangs lately against some of the open-shop men, but I think that has not caused their discharge. If any of our men, regardless of his affiliations, does good work, he stays on the pay roll. We always give preference to men who have been in our employ the longest, and when we have to lay off any gang, the newest men go first."

"Sixty per cent. of our employees in the Los Angeles district have been with the company from two to fifteen years, and at all times we have listened to any grievances which they offered. Within the last eleven months we have made three advances in wages and regulated our hour schedules on a nine-hour basis wherever possible. We have had no complaints from any of our men lately. The whole agitation comes from the union trying to force our hand."

"We are paying the highest wage scale of any electrical company in Southern California. Whenever any grievance has been reported to us, we have investigated and corrected it if possible."

"The whole trouble lies in the fact that the union is trying to force us to observe a closed shop and is taking advantage of the stress of national affairs to advance its own selfish interests. We will not be forced, and if every man belonging to the union walks out, it will have no effect on our plants."

"We know that our men are satisfied, and the matter is closed as far as we are concerned. The policies of the Edison company cannot be dictated by the Electrical Workers' Union."

WANT GIRLS TO SELL

WAR THRIFT STAMPS.

One hundred and fifty patriotic girls are sought by the War Savings Committee to sell thrift stamps in booths which are being erected in front of the principal cafes of the city for a big drive tomorrow.

In each of the booths will be placed a young woman who will sell to the patrons at the eating-houses thrift stamps which the War Savings Committee thinks may be used in place of money in tipping waiters in the establishments.

The young women workers are badly needed and those who care to help should apply at the headquarters of the committee, at room No. 220 Title and Insurance Building.

FUNERAL OF WOMAN.

Funeral services for Mrs. Eva S. McHugh will be conducted at 2 o'clock this afternoon from the Brown funeral parlors, No. 1225 South Flower street. The remains will be cremated. Mrs. McHugh was the wife of Charles F. McHugh, well known in the sports world, formerly a member of the home of her sister, Mrs. A. E. Astar, No. 515 West Fortieth place. She also leaves another sister, Mrs. Milton Miles, No. 1215 West Fortieth place.

Answers Unpatriotic Laborites.



Mrs. Maude Page.

On the right, in her costume as a munition-maker not bound down by a "union scale" when her country is crying for shells. At the left she is shown as a mother and a housewife.

Makes More Shells.

MUNITION WOMAN HELPS BEAT UNIONS IN CANADA.

MAUD PAGE, munition worker of Vancouver, B. C., who is in Los Angeles for a brief rest, has struck the first of a series of blows to break the shackles of labor unionism in Canada. This frail, but plucky, little woman has defied the walking delegate, has refused to obey the dictates of the union bosses and as a result has become an expert shell maker in the Vancouver Engineering Works, where she has taken a man's place and is doing more than a man's job.

When supervisors in the munitions works and labor union delegates urged and finally begged her not to work so hard, she persisted and exceeded the quota of the men workers. When the union bosses saw what this woman, and her hundreds of associates who had taken the men's places, were doing, they became alarmed.

The average worker for a skilled machine was fifty shells a day. Although the Canadian government pleaded that more shells be made, the unions decided that this was enough for any man and the limit remained at fifty shells a day. Mrs. Page, however, was not deterred. She turned out by the most expert of the men workers. When the union bosses saw what this woman, and her hundreds of associates who had taken the men's places, were doing, they became alarmed.

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WORK THE MACHINES.

One of the first to volunteer was Maud Page. In seven days she mastered the biggest of the machines.

Review of Facts.

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things, to weakness of constitution and her manner of life. Dr. Charles D. Manger, dean of the University of California Medical College, testified as a defense alienist, and Deputy District Attorney Keyes indulged in a bit of repartee over the character of testimony given by the physician. Mrs. Edwards was suffering from a delirious delusion when she shot Lyon. He said it was of a delirious delusion that was not insane preceding or subsequent to the shooting, but that it was most likely an onset of insanity which had become temporarily insane when she confronted the person she had in mind to be the physician. Keyes, who was sustained by the court, on the ground that much of the evidence in question had already been reviewed.

Officer Whaples testified he was at the scene of the shooting between 5 and 7:30 o'clock on the evening of October 9, 1917.

"Did you see any revolver there?" Attorney Edlis questioned him.

"I did. There was a .38-caliber revolver, loaded with five cartridges, lying by the side of Mr. Lyon, who at the time was resting on a small porch in a sitting posture. It was picked up by a stranger who passed it to me. I examined the barrel, but it had no appearance of having been recently fired."

TILT IN COURT.

The frequent objections by the State to the method of questioning witness brought on a tilt between Judge Wright and Attorney Edlis. "Your honor," shouted Edlis, jumping to his feet, "this woman is on trial for her life and she is being treated as a criminal. I demand that the charge against her be dropped and that she be set free."

The court instructed the jury to disregard the statements of Edlis, who was making a statement to the stand when he had received, following the shooting, a revolver back from Detective Sly or Mr. Lyon.

Cross-examined by Mr. Keyes the witness denied she contemplated divorce proceedings against Mr. Lyon or that she had ever discussed with Miss Edwards such proceedings.

Deputy District Attorney Keyes began his address to the jury at 2:10 o'clock. Following are some of the points he brought out:

That if the defendant was to be tried on facts, and facts alone, she is guilty of murder.

That when the defendant says

NEW ANGLE IN KILLING CASE.

District Attorney to Act in
Throop Death Mystery?

Husband Loses Suit Against
Insurance Concern.

Strong Case Made Out Against
Theory of Accident.

Based upon a decision made by Judge Dehy yesterday in favor of the defendant in the case of Charles H. Throop against the Western Indemnity Company, the District Attorney's office may reinvestigate the facts surrounding the death of Throop's wife, Hilda E. Throop, who was recovered \$13,000 insurance taken out on his wife's life that Throop brought the civil action that was decided yesterday.

The contention of the indemnity company, which was represented by Attorney Duke Stone, was that Mrs. Throop's death was not accidental, but that, "on information and belief," the shooting was a suicide.

The evidence on the part of the young husband, a deputy from the District Attorney's office, showed that Mrs. Throop was shot in the adobe house of Throop's parents in Riverside county December 13, 1915. She was insured in the Western Indemnity Company August 17, 1915.

Throop testified that he had prepared to go hunting and had stacked the gun in the adobe house, but Mrs. Throop told him he could not go until he had washed the dishes, and playfully seized one of the guns by the barrel and in the struggle, he said, it was accidentally exploded, and the shot from the 15-gauge gun entered her breast above the heart. Throop said she died "with a smile on her face." A coroner's jury exonerated Throop.

The insurance company showed that the dead woman's clothing had been burned by the family and that her coat covered her in a boiler when the insurance agent reached the house. This coat covered her in a boiler when the insurance agent reached the house. This coat covered her in a boiler when the insurance agent reached the house.

The company also showed by witnesses that Throop was infatuated with a young girl, who he called a "big blonde," and that he had talked about getting a divorce. He denied the alleged infatuation, however, but it was in evidence that he married the young girl about a year after his wife's death.

IN DANCE RECREATION.

With special costume and lighting effects as accessories, Miss Norma Gould's dancing pupils will give a special program, this and tomorrow evenings, at the studio, No. 1233 Georgia street.

Women, Prepare!

Thousands of women have overcome their sufferings, and have been cured of woman's ills by Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription. This temperance medicine, though started nearly half a century ago, is the most widely today. It can now be had in tablet form as well as liquid, and every woman who suffers from backache, headache, nervousness, should take this "Prescription" of Dr. Pierce's. It is prepared from nature's roots and herbs and does not contain a particle of alcohol or any narcotic. It's not a secret prescription for its ingredients are printed on wrapper. Send 10c for trial package to Dr. W. M. Pierce, Buffalo, N. Y.

"At the end of a week on the machines, I was turning out many more shells than the best of the men. It was hard, but Canada needed shells."

This simple, unassuming little munition worker is here with her 2-year-old baby, and her husband, who is working in the shipyards at San Pedro. She is threatened with a nervous breakdown, but is determined as ever to help win the war.

Mrs. Page made a hit with the women of the W.C.T.U. yesterday. She proved that her sex can more than hold its own, and that the women of Canada are not the rule of labor-unionism.

Henry Lyon forced her to leave her husband and to enter a life of shame, she said. That the lack of endearing terms in letters sent Senator Lyon showed beyond a shadow of doubt that the deceased was never at any time in love with the man.

That the defendant's assertion that she gave Lyon money from time to time was refuted by his letters to her in which he stated the expense of coming to Los Angeles from Sacramento to visit her and "that the money was for her to keep."

That the insanity defense put forward by the defendant's attorneys was weak, futile and one of the poorest cases of its kind that had been brought to his notice in an experience of fifteen years.

That Miss Edwards in her testimony shifted the blame for the shooting to the shoulders of Henry Lyon, who is dead and unable to refute her assertions.

That the sentiment of this community was not represented by the people who from day to day have been threatening the courtroom, and who were apparent sympathizers of the defendant and wished to see her acquitted.

That the jury should not be governed by the facts as clearly shown in the evidence.

That the sentimentalities appearing throughout the trial are "rot" and "bunk," and should not be considered as real evidence. Also the references to Miss Edwards having been urged by Senator Lyon to enter a "sitting house" in "Japtown."

EXPLAINS DIFFICULTY.

Mother of Dickerson Sisters Says Overdraft at Bank Was Inadvertence.

Referring to the recent incident in which Misses Marguerite and Dorothy Dickerson and a supposed bad check figured, the mother of the girls, who has made good a small overdraft, stated yesterday that the whole affair was an unfortunate inadvertence. She says that Miss Marguerite Dickerson wrote a check on a joint fund to herself and her sister and that, through not knowing the exact balance, the fund was slightly overdrawn. Mrs. Dickerson added that there was ample money in Marguerite's name in a different fund.

INCORPORATIONS.

The Sawaya Relief Society, Inc., incorporated, Gertrude Sawaya, Joseph Sawaya, Salim Sawaya, Sidro Sawaya and Ellis G. Sawaya. The Consolidated Securities Company, Incorporated, J. C. McKinnon, Albert Raymond, Joseph Haber, Jr., Charles L. Furlough and R. Beatty Wain. Capital stock \$400,000, subscribed \$50.

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CALIFORNIA BARLEY.

A recently announced embargo on shipments of whole barley from our State brings to the front a cereal that Americans in general have been inclined to snub, preferring an acquaintance with its more aristocratic white brother, wheat.

Barley has long been an important grain; its growing territory ranging from cold north latitudes to near the tropics. Californians should be especially interested in it, as it has been for the last decade the most important cereal crop of the State, which ranks among the leaders of the Union in its production. In 1916 California, though third in acreage planted, won first place in grain harvested, bringing forth a crop nearly six millions of bushels in excess of that of North Dakota, the first State in amount of ground sown.

While wheat-growing in California has shown a marked decline since 1906, barley has held its own, the crop for 1916 yielding over 23,000,000 bushels, nearly six times our State's wheat crop for the same year. Its drought-resisting qualities, enabling it to do well under dry farming, the greater yield per acre, almost double that of wheat, climatic conditions so curing it as to enable it to withstand long distance shipments by water, all have caused it to survive, though, like wheat, crowded by alfalfa, orchards and vineyards of the highly-favored valley lands of the State.

While barley in America in the past has been grown largely for stock food and for brewing, the wheatless days have brought forth a new use for it. A fact of importance to our State, as its continual growth will enable us to utilize thousands of acres of ground that irrigation will never get.

TARRED, FEATHERED AND KICKED.

The people of Stanton, Ill., extended most inhospitable treatment to John M. Metzger, a Chicago lawyer, on account of his pro-German activities as evidenced by a speech he made to the I.W.W.'s. Four hundred men surrounded him as he emerged from the hall in company with Severin Oberman, an I.W.W. leader. They escorted the pair to a local hotel, dressed them in their clothing, plastered them all over with tar, shook the contents of a feather mattress over them and placed them back to back on the highway and ordered them to "hike"—Metzger toward Chicago and Oberman toward St. Louis. A few persons who remonstrated against the tarring and feathering were made to kiss the American flag and then kicked by the Executive Committee.

The Times cannot endorse this conduct of the people of Stanton. It condemns it—and yet, and yet, and yet!

KEEP COOL!

Whatever prejudice you may have in favor of your stomach, or whatever grievance against the government (if you have any) don't make the little waitress in the cafeteria feel about it by fussing and fuming when she tells you that the food administration allows her to sell you but one slice of bread with a meal. It isn't her fault. If you don't like it, either go home and bake your own bread or else eat at a restaurant and then go to another and finish filling your gizzard. It may make you feel like a traitorous slacker, but if you are an intemperate grouch you won't mind a little thing like this. If you eat too much and die Uncle Sam won't miss you.

AND CHEERS FOR BOUCHER.

As took the British authorities eight months to discover that Private J. W. Boucher of the Twenty-third Battalion, who had been fighting the Germans and enduring hardships since May last, was 73 years old and had fought in the American Civil War with the Twenty-third Michigan Volunteers.

The Times suggests to the grand old boy that he organize a company to manufacture Boucher's Youth Restorer, Boucher's Wrinkle Eradicator and Boucher's Suretop Hair Dye. He will make a fortune.

THE NEW IMPERIAL.

The prohibitionists have won in Imperial at last, even though it was necessary for the new officers to enforce the law at the point of the pistol. Imperial is a fine little town in the heart of a great agricultural empire; but the manner in which the owners and managers of "saloon row" used to tyrannize over the citizens, the City Council and the newspapers was never credited to the city. It is good to know that the old regime is at an end.

THE LORIE VINEYARD.

A Sunday-school teacher in Denver prides herself on the fact that she taught Gen. Pershing his first prayers. All honor to her for teaching such a man how to pray. The general's best prayer was answered when he requested the Almighty to send him in person against the incarnate demon of earth.

IN THE YEAR 2000.

"Father, what is coal?" "Coal, my son, is a black, amorphous substance containing carbon, oxygen, nitrogen, etc., which was used by our ancestors to produce light and heat, long before radium came into general use."

A DIRECT PRIMARY HERO-NOMINATED BY HIMSELF AND FINANCED BY VICE.

Another sordid chapter in the rise and fall of Goo-Goo government in California has been written this week into the records of the criminal courts of Los Angeles county. A woman of the streets is on trial for killing a State Senator. Evidence produced in her defense reveals that her faded charms had been used as the pedestal from which the Senator beamed as a shining light in the constellation of lam-boller-than-thous who led the fighting from Armageddon in 1912 to the marshes of Salt River in 1916. Testimony, supported by letters and telegrams signed by the deceased, reveals that the woman conducted a disorderly house in Los Angeles, fully protected by the police, and that the price of her shame went to defray the campaign expenses of the Goo-Goo Senator and his Progressive associates. This was done with the full knowledge of the then Chief of Police, of the Progressive newspaper boss who had appointed him and of the Progressive County Central Committee that induced the Senator and in return received from him campaign contributions still scented with the heavy odors of the brothel in which they were collected.

They were all taking a part in a pretended crusade against vice that was FINANCED BY VICE ITSELF. In order that the brothel conducted by this woman might prove a profitable campaign investment it was necessary that twenty others without political influence should be closed. So competition was crushed with the fanfare of a vice crusade and the single establishment became so profitable that the woman now on trial for murder (then the madame of the establishment) turned over to the Senator as much as \$300 in a single night. It was when the Progressive power in Los Angeles began to wane, when the combined influence of the newspaper boss and the Senator could no longer control the police, that the break came.

According to the testimony given in the trial the Senator then sought to have the woman enter a Japanese seraglio. A spark of pride still glowing in the smoldering ashes of her womanhood flared forth and she rebelled. Then followed the tragedy and the present exposure, which reveals to an amazed public nothing that was not well known to the political associates of the Progressive Senator from the time he resigned as barkeeper in a Seventh Ward saloon to become one of the leaders in the misnamed reform movement which has doubled the cost of our State government and made California appear in the eyes of the world as an awful example of Goo-Goo paternalism run mad.

The Times regrets the tragic denouement of this drama of underworld politics. While the facts have been of general knowledge for several months, the Times refrained from exploiting them; but the sensational trial now in progress in the criminal court absolves a newspaper from further silence. In partial justification of the dead Senator it should be said that he never made any personal efforts to conceal his marital infidelities and his trafficking with the underworld. His arrangement with the Progressive machine was purely a financial one. Political position was valuable to him and he was willing to exchange his vote on all purely political matters in return for Progressive support and a salaried place under the Progressive government. He gave his vote to the machine and received from the machine, in return, a State position at a salary of \$2400 a year and police protection for his paramour. The arrangement was similar to twenty others relating to seats in the State Senate. It is the "San Francisco idea" which went so far to make the old Johnson machine invincible. When an indignant public wrote into the State Constitution an initiatory amendment forbidding members of the Legislature to hold other salaried State jobs a complaisant Governor kindly APPOINTED THE SENATOR'S WIFE TO THE POSITION FROM WHICH HE HAD BEEN AUTOMATICALLY REMOVED. AT THE SAME SALARY HE HAD BEEN RECEIVING.

Under the former convention system for nominating State officers the Senator could not have escaped public exposure. He would have lost his seat and saved his life. But the self-nominating system of the direct primary prevents the weighing and sifting process which exposes the real mental and moral character of candidates for office. There are scores of equally unfit men now occupying seats in the State Legislature, men who were selected because they were willing to sell their votes in advance to the State machine. Provided they could be trusted to stay bought, the machine asked no further questions.

Hundreds of candidates equally unfit are coming forward with their self-nominating petitions to run for the Legislature in California this year. In the dead Senator's district the candidate who claims Progressive support has a police court record. While a Progressive member of the Assembly this aspirant was arrested and fined for keeping a disorderly house in Los Angeles. But it is asserted on the inside that this arrest cost a Chief of Police his place. It is a matter of common report in Sacramento that a number of the highly-advertised humanitarian laws enacted during the last six years were drafted in the brothels of that city while the State Legislature was in session. California's honor and good name have been dragged very low by the political mercenaries who have been exploiting the State during the last six years under the banner of "Good Government." If this tragic exposure will serve to arouse a lethargic public conscience, some good may yet come of it.

It is possible that by the machinations of the German agents in Russia the Germans may be able to take Petrograd. But that will mean nothing. Napoleon took Moscow and was sorry for it ever after.

On Their Way.



THE MAN-POWER PROBLEM.

Sir Auckland Geddes, British Minister of Recruiting, recently made a comprehensive survey of the man-power problem to the House of Commons, which amounted to a cold unvarnished statement of the war situation, more illuminating and informing than all the military "expert" editorials put together. Here are the leading points he made in his speech:

1. On Britain and on the skill with which she handles her man power in the months to come everything depends.
2. The secession of Russia from the Allies has added to the potential enemy strength on the western front, including Italy, possibly as many as 1,500,000 men.
3. The resources of the Allies and America are sufficient to ensure victory, and nothing but a psychological catastrophe, such as that which has befallen Russia, can save the Central Powers.
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7. The government has decided neither to raise nor lower the legal military age, and not to introduce compulsory service in Ireland.
8. In connection with the development of women's corps for work with the navy, army, air force and on the land, Lady MacKworth has accepted the appointment of Chief Controller of women's recruiting.
9. I wish to make the strongest possible appeal to able-bodied men over military age, who are not employed in essential industries, to place their services at the disposal of the state.
10. Discussing the international man-power position, Sir Auckland Geddes said he was giving the result of a detailed government examination of the subject. He showed that the Allies, excluding Russia and Rumania, had still a substantial superiority over the armies of the Central Powers, that the collapse of Russia would not enable the enemy to transfer such a force to the western front as to overwhelm the Allies by sheer weight of numbers. Nevertheless the Allies must face a transference of 1,600,000 men from east to west.
11. But, said the Allied armies were, in relative numbers and morale, in a POSITION AT LEAST TO FACE ON EQUAL TERMS THE FORCES OF THE ENEMY AT PRESENT OPPOSED TO THEM.
12. THERE COULD, HOWEVER, BE NO SUPERIORITY UNTIL THE FULL POWER OF AMERICA CAME INTO PLAY.
13. He said that the total contribution of the British Empire was 8,750,000 men. Of this England had provided 4,530,000; Scotland, 620,000; Wales, 200,000; Ireland, 170,000; the dominions and colonies, 900,000; the Indian and African dependencies, 1,000,000. England has already contributed 60 per cent. of her man power, and to maintain this standard during the present year England must provide another 420,000 from those now in civil life. He warned the country that this figure must be regarded as an absolute minimum and that the military situation might well call for more drastic measures; that in that eventuality the government could have no hesitation either in raising the military age or applying conscription to Ireland, if the situation could not be met in other ways.
14. In paying a tribute to labor patriotism he excepted the Amalgamated Society of Engineers, which had refused to take part in the recent conferences. In this connection he said the young men engaged in this industry were claiming immunity at (1) the price of the men who had fought and been wounded, (2) at the price of sending their fathers to the trenches, (3) and at the price of stopping the leave of those soldiers now at the front.
15. It is patent that upon American effort, American efficiency and, above all, American speediness depend all hope of

HITS AND MISSES BY OTHER PAPERS.

The language of fairness and patriotism is wasted upon such a creature as W. L. Hutcheson, president of the Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners. And yet it was perfectly proper that Chairman Hurley of the Shipping Board should address letters of appeal to the head of the union so that the public might know where to place the blame and that they might be able to brand as traitors those who are as much the cause of slaying our soldiers at the front as are the Hun.—[Salt Lake Tribune.]

The soldiers in France are not all that will come back from the war better and stronger for the stress and struggle, with a new sense of responsibility, with a broader view and a sounder national instinct than ever before. To a certain extent this will be the case with every civilian and with every civilian institution that are patriotic doing their best to serve the nation in these critical times.—[Chicago Herald.]

The "spat" seems to have cleared the atmosphere somewhat. War matters are looking up. Senator Chamberlain built wisely; and if more wisely than he knew, let much credit nevertheless go to him. He opened the "spat," and for a national attention on deficiencies and delinquencies needing immediate correction. They are being corrected. Presently, the "spat" should begin to show.—[Washington Star.]

The London Daily News bears Austria may seek to make peace independently of Germany. That is Austria's one chance to remain Austria.—[San Antonio Light.]

Henry Ford's construction of airplane motors for the government has cut the original estimates of cost almost 40 per cent. The instance of lowered cost stands out as a conspicuous reversal of the usual wartime cost of things. Though an anti-war pacifist, Henry Ford, since the country has gone into the conflict, is one of the government's biggest assets. He is in striking contrast with some of the anti-war jingoes who, now that we are in the trap, are among our prize profiteers.—[Oregon Journal.]

While beef on the hoof advanced 17 per cent., the packers hid the hides and raked from them an advance of 35 per cent. The price of sheep has jumped. Tanners have been held up. But the reliable old Beef Trust goes right ahead beating the people at the game of living.—[Brooklyn Eagle.]

The continued weakness in the market for Liberty Bonds no more reflects a prevalent expectation of a long war than does the continued weakness in the market for railroad securities. And it is generally recognized that the market for railroad securities reflect chiefly Congressional delay and dispute over establishing a fair return on these investments.—[New York World.]

Working in Washington for the government at a dollar a year, which he probably doesn't collect, sits a young, energetic man named Thomas A. Edison, 71 years old today.

Of this American it may be said that the whole world knows him, and will remember him—as along as men harness the lightning to make it work for a living.

Edison is young, because every day and hour with him means mental activity. It isn't the body of man that dies, it's the mind. The body follows the mind into the grave.—[Washington Times.]

We cannot understand the kind of a patriot who, having all the mashed potatoes and gravy he wants, complains about wheatless days.—[San Antonio Light.]

It is twenty years ago that the explosion of the Maine made the American people resolve to fight Spain, but where should we have been if the British Ambassador had not balked at the German-Austrian scheme of a European coalition against us? That event should have shown us that our true friend and who was our worst enemy, and that we must work to realize it.—[Portland Oregonian.]

We hope that the time has passed when war is to be regarded, like drought, disease and earthquakes, as inevitable and a normal feature of human life. But in view of the historic past and present possibilities it is not too much to expect that a single Congress or treaty will bring the conflict to an end on a particular day. The great war apparently has too much momentum to be stopped in such a way. It is too complex to admit of a simple solution.—[Independent.]

TO SAVE GASOLINE.

An automobile expert, writing in the March Woman's Home Companion, says of the use of gasoline: "It is safe to say that nine out of ten automobiles use more gasoline per mile than is necessary."

"These are the ways it is wasted: 'Running the engine idle'; 'Having the carburetor adjusted for too rich a mixture'; 'Brakes improperly adjusted so that they drag'; 'Bearing, and more particularly springs, insufficiently lubricated'; 'Tires insufficiently pumped up'; 'Engine not cleaned of carbon often enough'; 'Engine not kept clean of carbon with weekly doses of kerosene'; 'Running under power when gravity and momentum will run the car'; 'False economy in lubricating oil'; 'Cooling system out of order.'"

"No one of these causes wastes much gasoline. But all together they may make a difference as great as 15 per cent. in mileage. If one-fourth the cars in America saved 25 per cent. of gasoline, enough would be conserved to supply all the war would need to send abroad during the war."

MY NATIVE LAND.

By T. Howard Wilson.

Time built himself a palace of the woods, Moon-halos silvered on its aspen walls. Its arras famed with rich autumnal dyes the floor. And ever through the wood-aisles went a sound—'Twas weird. It may have been the feet of God. Bronzed, naked Indians wandered visionless through wilds enthralling as a pop-py-woon. One day was like another end on end. Soft Indian days of idle dalliance, Kissed with the lily-lips of slumberous June. And kirtled round with tridescant dreams—A vague, illusive land within the mist.

Then swift as trellised gleams about a stream The looms of thought, unseen, began to whirl, God's token struck above the walls of Time. A thousand cities sprang about the world. And ever through the cities went a sound—'Twas weird. It may have been the feet of God. A vast procession formed of uncrowned kings. From sea to sea moved onward endlessly. Their banners blazoned with a mystic word.

A strange, unearthly light stretched down the earth. And in the midst a girl—America. A lovely maiden at the shrine of dawn. America, the voice of all the years At call through darkling vortices of pain; Lure of the masses from the depths of woe. Lulling all angel cries in one sweet tone: A beacon burning o'er the sea of grief. That shines serenely in the driving storm.

Joan of Arc, who leads the nations on From fen and bog to ramparts touched with light, Whose hand uplifts the torch of liberty. And writes in fire across the front of night. The word that spells the doom of treason's boast. And crumbles thrones, the word—democracy.

The lintels of the world are splashed with blood. And death sits rocking on her rotten throne. Mad empire swaying to a demon dance. A waitful toad squats on the altar stain. And puffs his poisoned breath against the stars. A world most like to fitting dreams With ghastly images that war and wane.

Where nations are borne down horrid gulfs of ruin. Or rise to fame on passing accidents. A7, each must hold his silent tryst with death. Yet ever through the war-rack runs a sound—'Tis weird, 'tis weird, it is the feet of God.

And if to womanhood an instant's pain Has brought thee, O my own, my native land, If thou, like Christ, must lift a stricken world. If traitors shall be found to sell thy soul. If torture trails affront with ghastly skulls. Thou shalt not once forget thy purged and pained.

And though thy days are dark With sorrow's toll. Though all thy starry dreams are drenched in gloom, A mist of gold lifts o'er the sunken sun. And ever down the world there goes a sound—'Tis weird, it is the nearing feet of God.

The leaders must strive who find the Holy Grail.

RIPPLING RHYMES

CONSERVING FOOD.

I took an ax and killed nine rats and left them in their gore; and then I borrowed Johnson's cats and killed a dozen more. And thus I did more lasting good, the kind of good that pays, than I could do by shunning food on meatless, wheatless days. We gladly do without our steak and our accustomed bread; we're trusting that our course will make the Kaiser soak his head. But what's the use, if we allow the rats to be alive? The grain they eat each day, I swear, would make an army thrive. So let us have a ratless day, a day on which we'll rise, and chase the beastly rats and slay until the last one dies. Then we'll conserve to beat the band, and feed the largest host, and every man in this broad land may have his loaf and roast. No meatless days or wheatless days we'll need to win the war; we set busy and erase the pest all men abhor. While men are tightening their belts, and knowing hunger's pain, the nasty rats, dogs, cats, their paws are eating up our grain. And so I take down from my perch the sword of Bunker Hill, and through the house for rats I search, and kill, and kill, and kill.

WALT MASON.

ENOUGH IS PLenty.

A class of recruits were being put through a preliminary examination in first-aid work. Finally it came Patrick O'Flynn's turn to answer. The sergeant asked him the following question: "Now, Pat, supposing a man were to fall in a drunken fit, how would you treat him?"

"Faith, sergeant," replied Pat, "I wouldn't treat him at all. I'd consider he had had enough."—[Chicago Herald.]

PEN POINT

BY THE EDITOR.

Lift up your hearts. The best rats that ever lived are less Sunday.

We cannot afford to have any less Sunday.

President Wilson cannot afford to have any less Sunday.

As we understand the situation, the ladies' skins are in the spring. No doubt due to the war.

"Knitter's face" is the most lovable ailment. Women are not an improvement in any season.

The Francis J. M. Governor is doing as well as expected—and that is not any too much.

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Fruit is in Demand in Far-Away London.

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Grove Owners are Making Clean-up.

(LOCAL CORRESPONDENCE.) RIVERSIDE, Feb. 21.—Not since the production of the naval or the Duarte-Monrovia district has local fruit brought such a high price. According to estimates of managers, shippers and others, all citrus records have been broken during the past two weeks.

The Duarte-Monrovia Exchange sold a car of fruit in Philadelphia for \$4.48 a box. These were the highest prices for Valencia oranges in the market. The exchange has been shipping fruit to Philadelphia for some time, but the prices have been low.

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KILLER OF WIFE ENDS OWN LIFE.

Failure at Reconciliation
Ends in Tragedy.

Hundreds on Busy Street
Witness Shootings.

Pair Had Separated; Woman
Worked in Store.

Lead-gray skies and the driving rainstorm formed the dismal setting for the last act in the life-drama of Mrs. Donald Van Dusen, which unfolded itself before the eyes of hundreds of men and women when her husband, Donald Van Dusen, formerly a traveling salesman of Baltimore, shot and killed her near Seventh and Hope streets, yesterday morning.

The slayer, smoking gun in hand, stood motionless for a few brief seconds and watched the limp body of his 21-year-old wife sink to the wet sidewalk. Then, as if roused from the grim fascination by the agonizing moans of the young woman and the drizzling force of the falling raindrops, he turned and fled into an alley a block away, and as the crowd of men who ran in pursuit neared, he pulled his gun, and placing it against his head, fired. Five minutes later, the wife and the husband lay side by side in the receiving hospital, dead.

Mrs. Van Dusen had been separated for over a month, the police later learned, and Mrs. Van Dusen took up an apartment in the Val de Mar Hotel, No. 419 South Hope street. She obtained employment in a confectionery store near Seventh and Grand streets, and together with Miss Wilson, also an employee of the same store, walked to work every morning.

When Mrs. Van Dusen approached the corner of Seventh and Hope streets yesterday, the man stepped close to her and without a word placed the gun against her side. He fired five shots, any one of which was sufficient to cause death, according to receiving hospital physicians. As several men started in pursuit of the slayer, William A. Dill of the lobby station phoned the station in a passing automobile and rushed her to the receiving hospital.

OFFERS AID TO HOME GARDENS.

Public Employment Bureau
Will Furnish Men at
Short Notice.

William L. Clark, superintendent of the Public Employment Bureau here, and a strong advocate of the home gardening movement, has become so enthusiastic since the rains set in that he offers to co-operate with everyone who desires to secure help for gardening.

"The Public Employment Bureau is in a position to furnish on short notice a limited number of men with teams to plow and harrow gardens, and it can furnish in almost unlimited number of men at \$2.50 per day to spade and plant gardens or do other work about the place," he said yesterday.

"Everyone ought to plant a home garden, where there is space enough to produce even a small patch of mixed vegetables. Those who haven't enough work to keep a man busy a whole day, can hire one by the hour. By so doing he will be helping to feed the nation during the war and will also be giving a needy man a little lift."

She was dead when entered. Led by J. B. Winter of the Victoria Hotel, William Hill of No. 2245 Duane street and H. D. Jackson of No. 1215 East Twenty-fifth street, a score of men followed Van Dusen into an alley near Sixth and Hope streets, and watched him fire the last shot. He also was dead when placed on the operating table.

Ten days ago Van Dusen came to Los Angeles, taking a room at the Lankershim Hotel. He at once began to try to arrange a reconciliation. He offered every inducement, but the young woman refused to be convinced.

Mrs. Van Dusen was 15 years old when she married in Texas. The wedding was performed on May 22, 1917, the husband being twenty years older than his bride.

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